



TRIO Talent Search

Federally-funded TRIO comprises various programs, which, since 1965, have promoted opportunity in education.

TRIO/ETS, launched at CCC&TI in 2002, currently serves 600 middle-school and high-school students. Its mission is to get academically talented Caldwell County students enrolled in college.

TRIO/SSS has served 1000 participants at CCC&TI since its inception here in 1993. Its mission is to provide opportunities for academic development, assist students with basic college requirements, and serve to motivate students towards the successful completion of their post-secondary education.

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UNC Chapel Hill By: Casey Icenhour 10th grade, HHS

On the recent trip to UNC-Chapel Hill, TRIO/ETS students had the opportunity to meet Dean Harold Woodard. Dean Woodard was a former TRIO/ETS participant in Edgecombe County. Students were able to ask questions and also to find out about what they needed to take advantage of in TRIO/ETS to succeed in college and college admissions.

During his time as a TRIO/ETS student, Dean Woodard participated in college tours, and he received college, financial aid, and application help and information from his counselors. They encouraged him to expand his list of possible college choices, not just focusing on one or two colleges. Through counselor help and Dean Woodard's own research on different college offerings, financial aid, and costs, he was able to decide on UNC-Chapel Hill as his college choice. Looking back, Dean Woodard said that a lot of change had taken place in TRIO/ETS' history. Schools are working together more to get students the

college help they need. Dean Woodard also wished that he had participated in more college visits and tours while in TRIO/ETS and had more of an open mind when listening to the advice of TRIO/ETS counselors.

Today, as Associate Dean in the Office for Student Academic Counseling, Dean Woodard works closely with college students and has a tight schedule. On a typical day, he works with students in one-on-one conferences, participates in advisory boards and committees, and does administrative work. He also sometimes works with the Admissions Office. The Admissions Office is looking for balance, distinctiveness, and leadership in a UNC-Chapel Hill student. To achieve this, he recommended participating in church or civic groups, volunteering in the community, and trying for every officer position in a club that comes along. As far as the college entrance essay, Dean Woodard recommended taking the time to write it well. He said, "Some of the best (students who submitted essays) were people that had a story to tell."

The visit with Dean Woodard was very informative and interesting, and it really showed that participating in TRIO/ETS can really help with getting you where you want to go in college and beyond.



Dean Harold Woodard and former TRIO/ETS student Jesse Ramos

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Please note that Jesse Ramos (TRIO/ETS graduate) from the UNC Chapel Hill articles also wrote an article for the October 2005 issue of Sam Says "Greetings from UNC Chapel Hill."

UNC Chapel Hill

By: **Angela Oaks**

11th grade, WCHS

On Friday, March 24, TRIO/ETS attended Chapel Hill for the day. While there, we were able to see how the campus life was for the students. Jesse Ramos, a former South Caldwell student, talked to us about how his days are while at school. Jesse answered many of the questions that we had. "Studying, note taking, and asking that you read all passages, are some of the things the teachers ask that you do." Jesse answered all questions with a smile.



TRIO/ETS students at UNC Chapel Hill

Cosmetology Day @ CCC&TI

By: **Jamie Annas**

8th grade, GFMS

Have you ever thought about becoming a cosmetologist? If so, I recommend this TRIO/ETS trip to CCC&TI to learn more about it. On April 10, a small group of us visited CCC&TI's cosmetology department and had so much fun. First, Donna Calloway, Cosmetology Instructor, talked to us about the classes and how many years

we would have to go to college for a certificate, diploma, or associate degree. Then we got to see a little of what the students do. We went into the salon, and the cosmetology students gave us complete manicures. It left our hands feeling refreshed and new. Also, they washed and styled our hair. This trip was very exciting and helpful. I won't forget it.



TRIO/ETS students prepare for their manicures

8th Graders Teaching 6th Graders

"Why This Lesson was Beneficial to Me"

By: **Elenie Wilcox**

6th grader, WLMS

I enjoyed the 8th graders teaching the 6th graders. The 8th graders shared with us 6th graders ways to be successful. They said that we should try to do our best, try to have lots of friends who are good influences on us, stay away from drugs, finish school, and go to college.

I think peer-teaching is a good idea. It is great for kids to get together and find out what each other knows. It is also a good chance for younger students to learn from older students.

The lesson was good because we learned how to be successful in the future, how to get into college, and how to get a better career. Thank you for this opportunity.

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"How to Be Successful in Middle School and Beyond"
By: Dillion Laney
8th grader, WLMS

I was one of the eighth-grade TRIO/ETS students who helped teach the sixth-grade TRIO/ETS students at William Lenoir Middle School. The lesson highlighted ways to be successful in middle school and in life, in general.

I was a little nervous about teaching the sixth graders, but when I started talking and sharing information with them, it was fun. I wanted them to learn that they should have fun in middle school, because they only have one life to live. I also wanted them to learn that getting an education is very important in their lives, because without an education, it would be difficult for them to get good-paying jobs and get anywhere in life.

Another important thing is that students should be diverse in order to become well-rounded people. They should try to play sports and/or join lots of clubs, so more colleges would be interested in them and so they could also become more interesting people. It is also important that they hang out with the right crowd, because friends can be very influential. Hanging out with people who get in trouble or do drugs would have a negative influence on them.

Finally, I told them that they should try to be good people. For example, they should help people who are in need and give back to their community through volunteer work. If students help others, they would also be helping themselves. They would feel good about what they are doing and would have the opportunity to meet lots of new people and make new connections.

I learned that I like teaching a little bit and sharing information about myself. I also enjoyed learning more about the sixth graders. Learning what their goals are in life and what their opinions are was very interesting to me.

TRIO Alumni Reunion
By: Ashley Ballard
8th grader, WLMS



On April 29, 2006, the TRIO Alumni group had a luncheon at Caldwell Community College & Technical Institute. All TRIO members were invited, along with the TRIO alumni members. The food was served first. Then the speeches and updates were presented. I was surprised by how much I had learned.

People always come up to me and ask, "What is TRIO?" "Well," I say, "it is a group which helps encourage a student to go and stay in college. The group also gets you involved in your community and school. Most important, it stands behind you all the way and supports you."

At the TRIO Alumni reunion, the alumni members shared their experiences with TRIO. I knew exactly how they felt, and it made me feel great. I think that more TRIO/ETS students should have gone to the meeting in order to see the impact TRIO has had on so many people.

One of my favorite speakers was a woman named Nicole Fogle, who is a TRIO/Student Support Services (TRIO/SSS) graduate. She was so energetic and happy. She spoke so proudly of TRIO that I could not help but feel proud as well about the group, of which I am also a member as a TRIO/Educational Talent Search (TRIO/ETS) student. Nicole is one powerful speaker. Nicole revealed how important TRIO is for students. She told everyone that she would not be where she is today if it were not for TRIO/SSS, and she seemed quite grateful for the TRIO/SSS group.

Dr. David Shockley, Vice President of Student Services, is also proud of TRIO and grateful for this organization. He supports me and every other member of TRIO. Dr. Shockley said that if CCC&TI needs to send a representative to a meeting or to another college, he first goes to a TRIO member because he feels that TRIO members would be willing to participate and give one hundred percent in representing CCC&TI. I feel that Dr. Shockley is someone on whom TRIO members can depend for many more years.



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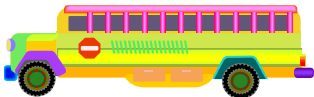


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TRIO has such a great impact on people because of Mrs. Alice Lentz, who is the TRIO Director; Dr. David Shockley; the TRIO/SSS and TRIO/ETS counselors; and TRIO members and alumni, such as Ms. Nicole Fogle. The TRIO Alumni meeting helped me think about how many people I have standing beside of me and behind me to encourage me to go to college and to help me if I am in need. I am so grateful for TRIO, and I want to thank everyone who has worked so hard to make TRIO a reality and success.

GO ANYWHERE
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TRIO/ETS Summer 2006 trips/events



June 13-14

TRIO/ETS mini-college at Warren Wilson, rising 10th-11th

June 20-22

TRIO/ETS mini-college at Lees-McRae, rising 7th

June 28

TRIO/ETS graduates' orientation, 12th

June 30

UNC Asheville/WNC Nature Center

July 11

TRIO Service Day

July 13

UNC-Charlotte/Johnson & Wales

July 19

Excursions West-WCU

July 10, 17, 24

Math Madness

July 25

UNC-G and NC A&T/Planetarium

July 27

Appalachian State University/Linville Caverns

August 10

High School Bound

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